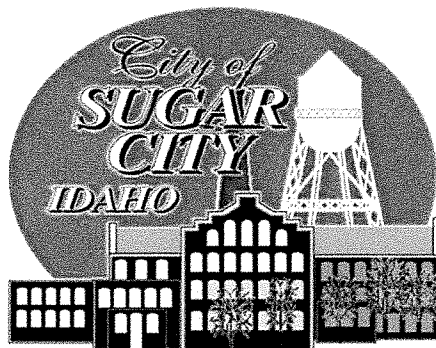


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## SEPTEMBER 2017

**Sept. 3-10<sup>th</sup>** - Eastern  
Idaho State Fair

**Sept 4 – Labor Day –**  
**City Hall Offices Closed**

**Sept. 7** - Planning & Zoning  
Meeting @ 7 p.m.

**Sept. 11 – Patriots Day**

**Sept. 14** - City Council  
Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

**Sept. 20** – Water System  
Improvement Meeting @  
7:00 p.m. @ City Hall. All  
residents are invited.

**Sept. 21** - Planning & Zoning  
Public Hearing @ 7 p.m.

**Sept. 22 – Autumn Begins**

**Sept. 28** - City Council  
Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

**Sept. 25 – Oct. 6**  
Sugar-Salem Harvest Break

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**Oct. 16**  
City Wide Clean-up Begins

**\*\*PLANNING & ZONING PUBLIC HEARING: September 21, 2017@ 7 p.m. \*\***  
**Preliminary Plat Application for Old Farm Estates Division #2 Lot 6 Block 14**  
The application is to divide the current lot into 5 lots which would give the owner the option to sell part of his/her property if he/she so desired.

**SUGAR DAYS ECLIPSE CELEBRATION:** Thanks to everyone that helped in any way prepare for the eclipse. Thank you so much for your participation in our celebration. What a marvelous experience it was to come together with those in our own community as well as people from other states and nations to enjoy such an awe-inspiring rare event. The city received many compliments about our community and the kindness of its residents.

**Welcome to our new city councilmen Brent Barrus & Greg Venema. We also wish to thank former councilmen Bruce Arnell and Matt Garner for their dedicated service and many hours spent on behalf of the city. See city website or Facebook for more information on Councilmen Barrus & Venema.**

**\*\*SCHOOL IS IN SESSION\*\*:** We caution everyone to drive carefully and watch for children. During school hours Center Street will be back down to 25 mph. Please watch for and use the crossing lights when crossing Center Street.

**CITY IMPROVEMENT UPDATE:** We are excited for the continuation of the sidewalk along Center Street to the high school cross walk and also for the new sidewalk along Silo Park. We also have the addition of another set of flashing lights on Center Street. This will benefit Sugar City's students and residents. This will greatly enhance the safety of our children as they ride their bikes and walk to and from school.

**UTILITY FEE INCREASE:** New water base rate and sewer fees will begin in October and will be noticed on November utility bill. Please call if you have questions.

**MADISON COUNTY P&Z PUBLIC HEARING:** Sept 20 at 6:00 p.m. Meeting concerns Land Use Table for Gravel Mining.

**FLOWERS:** Did you enjoy the flowers on Center Street this summer? We have appreciated the contributions and the work of the Tree & Beautification Committee to plant and care for the flowers that have helped make our city a beautiful place.

**CITY WIDE CLEAN-UP:** The date for city clean-up to begin is October 16<sup>th</sup>. Please **do not** put items out on the roads or alleys more than one week ahead of time. If you have items that you need to discard before the city clean-up, please note that we have a dumpster on the west side of Silo Park off of North Front & C Street. Please follow these guidelines for items to be removed or placed in the dumpster.

Due to regulations, we cannot pick up:

- leaves and grass clippings unless they are bagged,
- large remodeling materials, roofing, large pieces of concrete and tires,
- hazardous waste such as paint, chemicals, batteries, & used oil.

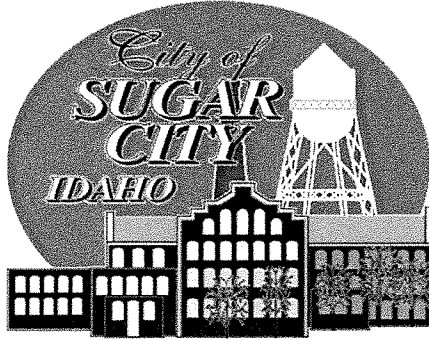
**Please do not fill alleys after city clean-up until the week before the next clean-up in the spring. Storing debris is a violation of city code 3-1-13:A.**

**GARBAGE PICK-UP REMINDER:** Please have garbage set out by 6:00 A.M. Friday. Due to Labor Day the 4th, garbage pick-up will be on Saturday, the 9<sup>th</sup>.

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September 5, 2017

Dear City Residents,

The new budget for the City of Sugar City was adopted last Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>. This process began several months ago, and the preliminary numbers were provided to us by Madison County (taxes) and by past performance. I would like to thank Wendy and the Council for all the work they put into this process.

I have provided a table of the last two audited years (the city is required to have an auditor come and review the financial statements), the current 11 months of this year, and the new budget. It is common that few, if any, citizens attend the budget hearing, therefore, I am sending it out to you with this letter.

You will notice that the majority of revenue comes in the form of taxes and utility fees. We have also received a couple of grants to help out with the water study (\$50,000) and the Pro-Peat infrastructure project (\$500,000). Other income includes fees for other services, along with interest on savings, and franchise fees charge to other utilities, i.e.: power, gas, internet, etc.

The major expenses consist of the cost of administration, which includes staff wages, attorney costs (which have become abnormally high the last two-year period due to the potential litigation the city is facing), insurance, retirement, police protection from the Sherriff's office, and other expenses to run the office. The cost of trying to maintain our streets, snow removal, and repairs to our infrastructure, is found in the public safety and public works areas. The amount needed to maintain our parks, including repair and replacement of equipment, is contained in the recreation category. The Debt/Capital area is to cover the debt owed and purchase of additional capital items. Depreciation is a non-cash item that helps the city set aside some funds for repair and replacement of all the buildings and equipment we own.

Utilities are handled in a separate fund so you can see how much the city pays for power, maintenance, the City of Rexburg to treat our sewer, and PSI to collect our garbage. Contingency in the budget represents potential surplus.

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It would appear on the face of the budget we are making a good surplus in the city. What it does not show is that we are behind in our road repairs, especially if we have a heavy snow year. We also have an aging water and sewer system that will require more repairs and replacement in the future. Most of the surplus represents the small amount we are trying to set aside for those repairs and replacement.

The city council and I are committed to providing you the services you need, and to anticipate and provide for future growth. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

David D. Ogden, Mayor

<b>CATEGORIES</b>	<b>AUDITED 9/30/15</b>	<b>AUDITED 9/30/16</b>	<b>CURRENT 8/31/17</b>	<b>BUDGET 9/60/18</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
<b>TAXES</b>	367,245	567,777	506,963	514,500
<b>SERVICES</b>	13,618	39,587	10,793	45,900
<b>INTEREST</b>	2,713	4,194	2,368	2,000
<b>FRANCHISE</b>	51,983	39,259	39,797	40,000
<b>UTILITIES</b>	783,530	768,174	679,688	863,480
<b>GRANTS</b>	0	500,000	50,000	20,000
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	23,304	67,187	41,937	64,500
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	1,241,583	2,001,534	1,367,323	1,548,380
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>	185,780	270,579	304,113	341,850
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	28,345	28,094	15,863	20,000
<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>	201,349	271,503	292,551	300,000
<b>RECREATION</b>	50,099	47,406	26,066	72,600
<b>DEBT/CAPITAL</b>	20,831	54,694	24,918	56,300
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>	137,395	141,229	137,000	137,000
<b>UTILITIES</b>				
<b>POWER</b>	35,265	39,978	38,959	46,800
<b>MAINTENANCE</b>	30,320	150,068	117,350	60,000
<b>REXBURG PLANT</b>	199,478	193,275	127,760	225,000
<b>PSI CONTRACT</b>	87,599	92,646	77,303	109,000
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	13,300	29,284	4,480	76,500
<b>CONTINGENCY</b>	0	0	0	103,330
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	989,851	1,284,324	1,166,363	1,548,380
<b>SURPLUS</b>	251,732	717,210	200,960	0